

- Read aloud together. Bring <mark>storie</mark>s to life by u<mark>si</mark>ng gestures and different voices for characters.
- 2. Create a comfortable reading spot. Let your child <mark>help make it cozy</mark> and decide how they want to decorate it.
- 3. Make reading a special time. Turn off <mark>tĥe TV a</mark>nd limit other distractions.
- 4. Provide reading-related surprises. As a treat, <mark>let your child stay up</mark> a little late to finish a chapter of a book or turn out the lights and create an adventure by reading by flashlight.
- 5. Give books as gifts. Choose titles <mark>you thin</mark>k your child will enjoy or give them a gift card to shop with at a favorite book store.
- 6. Start a home library. Designate a bookshelf as a place for your child to keep books.

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- 7. Attend story time and children's programs at the library. Make getting a library card a special event for your child. Make an appointment for your child to practice reading aloud to a furry friend through the library's Paws to Read program.
- 8. Encourage everyone to read while waiting for appointments or while riding in the car or at other 'down' times.
- 9. If your child is interested in learning to do something new, find out more by reading about it.
- 10. Share your excitement about books and reading. Talk with your child about books you've read and why you enjoyed them.

Remember: children learn by example. Let your child see you reading. Positive reinforcement works. Praise your child for every reading achievement.





BOOKS IN OUR COLLECTION YOU MAY ALSO FIND HELPFUL:

100 Easy Ways to Get Your Kid Reading by Kathleen Duey (PARENTING 372.414 DUE)

Baby Read-Aloud Basics by Caroline J. Blakemore (PARENTING 372.4 BLA)

Complete Idiot's Guide to Reading With Your Child

by Helen Coronato (PARENTING 649.58 COR)

Great Minds Start Little: A Guide for Parents by Marcy Kelman (PARENTING 649.122 KEL)

The Read Aloud Handbook by Jim Trelease (372.452 TRE)

Reading Magic by Mem Fox (PARENTING 649.58 FOX)

Rocket Your Child Into Reading by Jackie French (PARENTING 649.68 FRE)

Starting Out Right: A Guide to Promoting Children's Reading Success by the National Research Council (PARENTING 372.1 STA)

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